GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Food Processing Industries has prepared a draft policy for setting up of Food Processing Industries in various parts of the country particularly in Kullu, Mandi and Solan districts of Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries has initiated action for formulating a National Food Processing Policy and for this purpose Draft Policy has been Preparedwhich envisages, among other things, creation of enabling environment, infrastructure development, linkages at farm level etc. The proposed Draft Policy does not envisage setting up of food processing units by the Ministry.

(c): Taking into consideration various procedures to be followed, a definite time frame for the finalization of the policy is difficult to envisage.